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**AMENDMENT, REQUEST AND FEE DELETING INCORRECTLY NAMED PERSONS WHO ARE NOT INVENTORS OF INVENTION NOW BEING CLAIMED – NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION – 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)**

1. This amendment and request under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) is to delete the names of the following persons named as inventors who are not the inventors of the invention now being claimed: Jeffrey C. Leung and Matthew A. Megaro.
2. Claims Now on File – the claims in this application are as follows:  
 originally filed claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_;  
 originally filed claims 45-57 \_\_\_\_\_;  
as amended on August 29, 2005.  
 claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_;  
 claims 60, 62-72, 74 and 78 filed on January 10, 2005;  
as amended on August 29, 2005.
3. Status of Inventorship after Amendment  
 Attached is an explanation of the facts, including the ownership of all the claim(s) at the time the last claimed invention was made (Declaration of Inventorship and Common Ownership of Claims in Application).
4. Fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) - \$130.00)  
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